

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 TEL AV 04550 221601Z

ACTION EA-09

INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 IO-13 ISO-00 ORM-02 DHA-02 SCA-01

AID-05 VO-03 CIAE-00 FBIE-00 INSE-00 NSAE-00

SSO-00 EAE-00 AS-01 INRE-00 /047 W

-----043650 221606Z /43

O R 221520Z JUN 77 ZFF-4

FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 6842

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI NIACT IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY TOKLY

USMISSION GENEVA

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE TEL AVIV 4550

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SHUM, IS, TW

SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ABOARD YUVALI

REFS: (A) TAIPEI 3679, (B) TAIPEI 3680

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE 66 REFUGEES WITH MFA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL ANUG, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE GOI INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED TO DEAL WITH THIS CASE PURSUANT TO PRIME MINISTER BEGIN'S DECISION THAT THEY ARE TO BE ADMITTED TO ISRAEL (SEPTTEL). ANUG TOLD US THAT HIS COMMITTEE'S DECISION IS THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE REFUGEES TO GO TO JAPAN WHERE THE ISRAELIS HAVE AN EMBASSY AND FROM WHERE THEY COULD BE FLOWN DIRECTLY TO ISRAEL. FOR THAT REASON HE WOULD PREFER THAT THE REFUGEES BE ADMITTED TEMPORARILY TO TAIWAN AND EITHER TRANSFERRED DIRECTLY TO ISRAEL, IF THAT WOULD BE POSSIBLE, OR TO JAPAN FOR ONWARD MOVEMENT, RATHER THAN TRANSPORTING THEM FROM KEELONG TO YOKOHAMA ABOARD THE YUVALI. WITH THIS POINT IN MIND. ANUG ASKED US TO CONVEY TO AMBASSADOR UNGER A REQUEST THAT HE EXPRESS GOI
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 TEL AV 04550 221601Z

VIEWS AS FOLLOWS:

2. THE GROC SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT THE GOI REQUESTS THAT THE 66 REFUGEES BE TEMPORARILY ADMITTED TO TAIWAN IN ORDER THAT THEY MIGHT BE TRANSFERRED DIRECTLY TO ISRAEL OR ONWARD TO JAPAN. THE GOI WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR SUBSISTENCE AND

MEDICAL COSTS, ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THEIR STAY IN TAIWAN WOULD BE VERY SHORT (ANUG INTERPRETS THIS TO MEAN A MATTER OF A FEW DAYS). IF THE FIRST SCENARIO IS POSSIBLE (DIRECT TRANSIT FROM TAIWAN TO ISRAEL), THE GOI ASKS U.S. SUPPORT IN OBTAINING PERMISSION FROM THE GROC AUTHORITIES FOR THE TEMPORARY ADMISSION OF AN ISRAELI CONSULAR OFFICER FROM THEIR EMBASSY IN TOKYO IN ORDER TO ISSUE TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION FOR THE REFUGEES. IF THE SECOND SCENARIO DEVELOPS (TRANSIT TO TOKYO FOR ONWARD TRAVEL), WHICH WOULD PRECLUDE THE NECESSITY OF TRAVEL BY AN ISRAELI CONSULAR OFFICER AND WOULD BE PREFERRED, THE GOI ASKS WHETHER THE U.S. COULD HELP WITH THE TRANSFER OF THE REFUGEES FROM TAIWAN TO JAPAN.

3. WE TOLD ANUG THAT AN INITIAL INTERVIEW WITH THE REFUGEES INDICATES THAT SOME OF THEM MAY QUALIFY FOR ADMISSION TO THE U.S. BUT WE COULD UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES GUARANTEE THAT. HE SAID THIS WAS UNDERSTOOD AND THAT THE REFUGEES ARE BEING ADMITTED TO ISRAEL WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT MANY OF THEM WILL APPLY FOR RESETTLEMENT ELSEWHERE BUT SOME MAY BE UNABLE TO DEPART FROM ISRAEL; IN THAT CASE, UNDER PRIME MINISTER'S DIRECTIVE THEY WOULD BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN HERE.

DUNNIGAN

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 TEL AV 04550 221601Z

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: REFUGEES, REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 22-Jun-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977TELAV04550
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770223-0189
Format: TEL
From: TEL AVIV
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770629/aaaaazin.tel
Line Count: 94
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 91696078-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 TAIPEI 3679, 77 TAIPEI 3680
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 03-Jan-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2063342
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ABOARD YUVALI
TAGS: SHUM, IS, TW
To: STATE TAIPEI
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/91696078-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009